Tribune.

-It is always well to watch dogs at home. Many of the most innocentlooking dogs are the ones that kill sheep, and they seem to possess sufficient intelligence to hide the fault. All dogs should be constantly under suspicion on sheep farms .- Prairie Farm-

-Baked Indian Pudding: Scald s quart of sweet milk and thicken it with a teacupful of corn meal: when partly cool stir in half a pound of raisins, quarter of a pound of sugar, four well- able period of nearly seventy-one years, cently tried before this modern Socra- and in a short time I became so much Citizen. beaten eggs, spice to taste, and bake an so that its return was looked for about tes, the opposing counsel were both interested in them that all dislike dismen of exactly she same type, though appeared. I went into the business of de-N. Y. Tribune.

-If a mouse or rat makes entrance into any part of the dwelling, saturate a rag with cavenne pepper in solution, comet of 1812. and stuff it into the hole, which can then be repaired with wood or mortar. Neither rat nor mouse will eat this rag. which should be large enough to fill the hole completely. - Rural New Yorker.

-Floating Island: Sweeten a pint of thick cream with white sugar; grate in the peel of one lemon; whip it to a froth. Pour a pint of thick cream into a china dish: lay sponge cake in thin slices over it lightly, next a layer of some kind of jelly, then pour the whipped cream on top, and pour whatever remains into the bottom of the dish. Garnish the rim with sweetmeats. -Boston Transcript.

-Try this for ten some night: Pick fish, mix all well, and bake in a but- first peep at our little planet. tered pudding dish for from twenty-five Y. Post.

Manuring Light Soils.

I am thoroughly satisfied of my own knowledge that a sandy soil is no more leachy than a clay soil; and the finer the sand the more it will act as a filter to water passing through it. The floor astronomers, and proving that the er it was a blue dress or a green one mine hair, feathers and fur regularly of my manure cellar and of my barnyard are clear sand, of an excellent kind for making mortar for masons. After six years' use of the cellar and the constant pressure in it of wet and inches in depth. It is the same in the barn-yard and also in the small yard of a stable where I have kept one or two 60,000,000 miles distant from the earth, of the third day the judge expressed a He raised it as they jumped, and only cows for seven years past for experi- two-thirds the distance of the sun. hope that there would be no long argu- half a dozen of the best jumpers sucmental purposes chiefly. Here the discolored soil is removed every year to discovered in July, the appearance of iff's counsel had finished his abuse, and To show how tenaciously the ferrets make compost for the garden, and the an irregular nebulous mass, with the the shades of dark were falling when held their grip, the rat catcher swung liquid from the gutter runs into a small tail entirely wanting. In September the defendant's counsel was compelled the meat around his head and slammed pit which is kept full of absorbents. If the nucleus was five minutes in diam- to stop from physical exhaustion. any sandy ground should be leachy, it eter and the tail was two degrees sev- "I presume that your honor will but they could not be shaken from their ought to be the bottom of this pit; but, enteen minutes in length. Though not charge the jury to-morrow morning," on the contrary, the bottom of it holds all the substance of the manure in two the naked eye, and was observed for "You have presumed too far for or three inches of the soil; and below ten weeks before it disappeared in the once," said the judge grimly. "I am this the sand is clear and clean and quite free from odor even. I would suggest that those of your readers who ments. About the 23d of September, already, and for that reason we will believe in leachy soils should make a however, a remarkable and unexpected have an evening session. few tests of this kind.

idly in light soils. This is a most important fact for owners of such land to the problem. The manure is oxidized as an oxidizing agent. It is exhibited in spongy platinum, and especially in it may next indulge in. those old-fashioned incense spirit lamps, which slowly consume at a low, red heat, and without flame, the scented alcohol with which the platinum in the wick is fed. It is also shown in the power of cotton or wool waste or cloth to oxidize and inflame oil with which they are saturated. It is also shown in the rapid disappearance of every apparent part of the manure in the dry soll of the common earth closets, so that the dry earth may be used over and over again without becoming saturated. It is also shown in the absorption and destruction of organic matter in many other ways, and in the well-known effect of road-dust or dry earth as a deodorizer and disinfectant. It explains the effect of dry earth as a healing agent in surgery, and of the mud and earth baths for the treatment of wounds, common among some sav-

age nations. But further explanation

is unnecessary, because this peculiarity

of porous substances is well known as

a scientific and practical fact which

needs no voucher.

Then when manure is applied to light soils it is subjected to this rapid oxidizing agency and disappears. In a spot in my garden manured last spring with cow manure, at the rate of 100 pounds to the square yard, or 240 tons to the acre, and spaded in, there is to-day no trace of the manure, except the dark color of the soil, which when dug into and turned over has a mottled yellow, brown and black appearance, showing 1815 with a period of seventy-four where the lumps of manure have left their remains. It is the same in the fields, but to a less extent. In clay soil this rapid disappearance does not occur and of course the manure lasts longer. But the manure is not lost in the light soil. It has given up its elements to the crop. In the plat manured as above mentioned, I had thirty-two hills of melons, and these produced 163 large fruits, without counting nearly as the teller of a bank in Newark, N. J. many small ones. This, at thirty to the lad good luck a few nights ago. He barrel, is equal to five and a half barrels—equivalent to 370 barrels to the Ke promptly killed him. The man turns The product would have been larger had not five hills been destroyed by the larvæ of the striped beetle before I found a way to circumvent them.

would have been equally productive. the manure stays longer, because the bis eye as bright as a child's, and his clay is more compact, less porous and s'ep as elastic. He is now living in admits the air less freely. Does not experience also explain the action of camped in the wilderness which is now cultivating and pulverizing the soil, by the capital city of Colorado. -Chicago in their own coin, which gave them no making \$75,000 a day for matches, or which the organic matter in it is oxid- Herald. ized more freely and the crops are ben-efited? The result goes to show that light soils must be managed differently been 172 enlistments for the signal from clay lands, in manuring them service, of which fifty-three were colmore frequently-say every second lege graduates. year, instead of every fifth year, as with heavier soils - and using less manure at each dressing in proportion to the hunters are killing deer and buffalo in shorter time. - H. Stewart, in Country | Montana along the line of the Northern

Re-Appearance of the Comet of 1812

On the 3d of September Mr. Brooks, scopic comet. Its advent was quickly -To wipe the dust from papered made known to the scientific world, walls take a clean, soft piece of flannel. and it was described as round Of course it must not be damp, but the and faint, and having no tail. Its Brooks, or comet b 1883.

made its first recorded visit in 1812, some attorneys who seek to gain a who wrote at the desk. and is known as Pons' comet, from the name of the discoverer, or, more simply, as the comet of 1812. Encke, an witnesses upon trivial points which can around in his chair, "when vermin were astronomer of the time, found that the have no real bearing on the case. Now more or less obnoxious to me, but I comet moved in an ellipse, with a prob- it chanced that in a suit for divorce, re- began to study their habits and natures.

the identity of comet Brooks and the lack of quick perception and legal tracts to rid houses, hotels and institu-

in its infancy when Encke made the of the wood-sawing order of attorneys: sized city residence I remove all rats computation of the orbit of this comet. a slow, tedious bore, who, in following and keep them away for a year for fifty It is simply wonderful that, with the little points out to their ultimate con- dollars.' data at his command, he should have clusion, sometimes fails to grasp the "How do you do it?" reached a result so nearly accurate. Within a few years, however, two series of observations of the comet have been lumbers up his cases with a mass of the pen. As he did so the ferrets wrigdiscovered which were unknown to verbiage which, while it might perhaps gled out of the cosey tangle in which Encke. Two French astronomers, serve to entangle a dull jury, is imme- they had lain and bounded upward Messrs. Schulhof and Bossert, under- diately cast aside by the clear, incisive with their fore-paws in the air and their took to compute the orbit, using all the insight of a trained and experienced heads thrown back, exhibiting joy at data known. The Paris Observatory judge. Opposed to this legal smooth- every jump. They were pretty little published the result of their labors in a bore in the divorce case was a lawyer creatures, about as large in girth as an pamphlet of 200 pages. From time to of the sledge-hammer, police court, average rat, but almost twice the issued memoranda of the probable posi- gal bushwhacker, whose tactics their fore-claws very sharp and their tion of the comet when near enough to were not to join issues squarely and activity and quickness amazing. up one teacupful of codfish; let it soak be seen. Unfortunately, the first ob- fight in the open, but to make unex- "I have a thousand of them," said the in lukewarm water woule you mix two servations of comet Brooks did not pected sorties, dash in on the enemy's rat-catcher, "and I wouldn't sell the lot cups of cold mashed potatoes with one seem to agree with the French ephem- wings, harry his pickets and drive his for \$20,000. I have trained them all so Is the title of an interesting treatise (96 pint of sweet milk, two eggs, a good- eris, and it was hastily concluded that witnesses half crazy by the most that they obey me unhesitatingly. sized lump of butter, and pepper and the erratic visitor was a new member brutal attacks on their character. The When I wish to clear a house of rats I salt if it is necessary; then add the cod- of the cometic family, come to take its case on which this pair of worthies were take some of my ferrets—five or six or

minutes to half an hour; serve hot .- N. tion more carefully, and verified the com- Both plaintiff and defendant were put for them on the following day. They putations more accurately. He proved on the stand, and in addition some five come right to me and I take them home. beyond question that the positions witnesses were examined. It was a No rat can escape a ferret. The rats marked out for comet Brooks were simple case and one that could easily run from ferrets like mad, but it is useidentical at the time of observation with be tried fairly in half a day. But the less. Wherever a rat goes a ferret can best made. A sample copy (free) will conthose in which a comet would be found bushwhacker for the plaintiff introgo. The ferret catches a rat and then vince you of this. that was traveling in the ellipse com- duced so many irrelevant matters, and eats him-flesh, bones, hair, tail, evputed by Encke. He went further, the smooth-bore for the defendant erything. Ferrets cannot live without using the new orbit of the French wasted so much time to find out wheth- rats for any length of time. I feed comet was observed in the exact posi- which the plaintiff wore when the de- twice a week." tion where it should have been found fendant ill-treated her, that it was two according to the orbit computed seventy full days before the testimony was all

sometimes sodden cow manure floating doubt that our eyes behold the long ex- annoyed beyond measure at the waste in liquid, the soil is not discolored two pected comet of 1812. Its perihelion of time, for his calendar was crowded height of about four feet over the den

very bright it was distinctly visible to said the smooth-bore as he sat down. star depths. The returning comet, determined to dispose of the case towhen first seen, presented similar ele- night. It has been delayed too long the American minx and the Fitch feroutburst occurred, the nucleus expand- "But, your honor," exclaimed the But manure does disappear very rap- ing into a confused circular nebulous bushwhacker, jumping hastily to his contagious diseases by a very simple patch of light, and the comet increasing feet, "I have to be present at a mar- plan." many times in brilliancy in the course riage party, given in my house to-night, make themselves sure of and apply to of two or three days. On the 23d the and I must beg your honor to postpone their practice. But it does not leach nebulous mass was two minutes in di- until to-morrow." "And, your honor, away or run through the soil. Where, ameter: on the 24th it was four min- there is also a party at my house tothen, does the manure go to? Just utes in diameter and shone with a luster night, and I must really press my mohere comes in one of those natural laws equaling a star of the seventh magnition for a postponement," said the which I have referred to, and clears up tude. The activity of the display is al- smooth bore. most unparalleled in cometic history, completely and is reduced to its miner- and is specially noteworthy on account court's soup," "water on the judicial al and gaseous elements with great of the comet's great distance from the wheel," as the vernacular has it. For rapidity by the operation of a well- sun at the present time. Since this three days he had calmly endured; now known law of chemistry. This is the curious outburst the comet has been a was his chance for revenge, and so power of any porous substance to act well-behaved member of the family, but there was a natural tinge of sarcasm in it is impossible to predict what vagary his voice when he remarked: "I really

in the evening in the northwest in a telescope of moderate power, and is said to be visible in a good opera glass. In a few weeks it will be easily perceptible to the unassisted eye, and when the year 1884 makes its advent, it will be near its culminating point. It will not equal the suberb comet of 1882 in size or brilliancy, but it will be visible in the evening sky and will be so much more convenient to observe that there will be compensation in its lessened splendor.

It is an astronomical triumph, that with the inadequate means at commandfor computing an ephemeris, an astronomer seventy years ago was able to predict nearly the exact time for this comet's return. Our ancient friend is winging its swift flight toward us, and before long our eyes will be gladdened by a sight of its face after a long travel of threescore years and ten, when almost every eye that noted its first aprearance has ceased to behold the shining picture that nightly arches over the earth. There are several comets with s computed period of from seventy to seventy-five years. Halley's comet with a period of seventy-five years is chairs. Then the judge commenced a cleaning was required. Then she rethe only one of them that has made more than one return. Its last appearance was in 1835, and it is next expected in 1911. The comet of 1812 with a period of seventy-one years 'now records its first return. The comet of years is confidently anticipated in 1889. Scientific American.

-People who seize pistols at night and nervously bang away at noises in their houses generally make mistakes. Sometimes a somnambulistic mother-inlaw is killed; sometimes a belated son is laid out, and often an innocent window curtain is destroyed. Mr. Choate, out to be a gennine unknown burglar. -- N. Y. Times.

The appearance of the soil indicates, Mountain trappers, has retired from however, that the manuring was great- his wild life, after having spent fortyly in excess of a reasonable necessity, swen years in the wilderness. "Jim, and possibly a fourth of the quantity | the Scout," as he is familiarly called in l'enver, is now over seventy, but his It is different with clay soils. There form is still as straight as an arrow,

-In the last two years there have

-It is estimated that ten thousand Pacific Railroad. - Chicago Herald.

A Judge's Revenge.

Sometimes judicial humor takes rather a grim shape and a good in-The Rev. George Searle, of New they worked by different ways. One stroying them about 1850, and since that York, was the observer who discovered was a gentleman who makes up for a I have had my hands full. I make con-Cometic astronomy was comparatively depth. As a cross-questioner he is one charges vary considerably. For a goodtime the enthusiastic French observers cut-and-slash order, a sort of le-length. Their heads were rat-shaped,

in. The judge had done all in his be crossed as easily as with dogs."

January, 1884. It will then be about awaiting a hearing. On the morning tures bounded fiercely for the meat, In 1812 the comet presented, when ments, but it was noon ere the plaint- ceeded in fastening their jaws on it.

This was literally "pepper in the cannot see how gentlemen who have The comet of 1812 may now be seen shown such intense anxiety for their clients' interests for three days could bear up under further delay, and so in the face of my own inclination I shall order a night session. Mr. Clerk, ad-

journ the court until eight p. m. At eight p. m. the court reopened. Both counsel, eager for the evening's festivities, had donned their dress-suits. Both were accompanied by the ladies they were to escort during the evening, and both had carriages awaiting them at the foot of the stairs to bear them off to the scenes of gayety so soon as the court finished. Mounting the bench, the judge took in at a glance their preparations for a hasty flight, and they only gave an added zest to his revenge. Noticing the presence of ladies

"Counsel are aware that this is a divorce case, and of the charges made, and while the court has no wish to request the ladies to leave the room, he would suggest that he intends to discuss the case thoroughly."

Counsel looked blankly at each other; the ladies appeared to take the suggestion as a challenge and only settled Counsel brightened perceptibly, but their countenances fell when the judge tackle the history of divorce in Ameri- away without further loss of time. ca. Both counsel were asleep when the Sickles case was touched upon, and the Fair case, and at twelve p. m. was for matches last

California. -Joseph Bush, of Cherryvale, Kan., Y. Graphic. when a child nineteen years ago, lost the sight of one eye. He has just recovered from a malarial fever and with fashionable in England, because the health his eyesight has returned. -Chi Princess Louise has them, and now they

About Ferrets.

"I am fond of rats, mice, moles, roaches, flies, fleas, moths, scorpions, stance of this occurred here in San ants and like vermin, because I have one of the superior courts, presided my life," said a little man in spectacles hoped that it would become visible to remarkably judicial east of his mind. writing busily. At his side was a pen the naked eye in two or three months. He is a veritable Socrates of the bench; about five feet long, two feet wide and comer making its first visit to the clime | wasted, no labor ill-spent that tends to | thirty ferrets coiled together in an unof the sun, and was known as comet throw the slightest light upon the merit dulating mass of fur, with here and of the case before him. At the same there a sharp muzzle and a pair of comer, this comer, this comer, is an old friend that frivolous waste of time indulged in by and looking intently at the little man

acumen by a Bunsbyish affectation of tions of rats for so much a year. My

engaged was a suit for divorce brought ten-and slip them into the rat holes. The Rev. Mr. Searle studied the ques- by a wife on the ground of cruelty. I leave them there all night and whistle

> "Where do you get your ferrets?" "I breed them. Different breeds can

There is therefore no shadow of a power to stem the tide of talk, and was He took a bit of raw meat in a big pair of iron nippers, and held it at a passage will take place on the 25th of and other litigants were anxiously of ferrets. Every one of the little creathe ferrets against the sides of the pen, hold. Then he selected one, seized it gist, Washington, D. C. by the back of the neck and tore it

loose from the meat. "This one," he said, holding it aloft, "is a new breed. It is a cross between sound as a new dollar. ret, and can stand the climate better than the uncrossed breed. Ferrets require considerable care, but I avoid any

"What is it?" "As soon as a ferret gets the least bit off I shoot it and throw it away. It is a wise plan, for the rest are never troub-

led."-N. Y. Sun. A Warning to American Girls.

Joseph F. Potter, our Consul at Crafeld, Germany, has been making investigations in regard to a matter of great interest to our fair country-women, and the result of his labors is to be found in a report full of information of the most vital interest. He has been inquiring into the results of marriages between American girls and German nobles, and what he tells us is most startling.

In thirty-three marriages cited there has not not been a single happy union, but either a divorce or abandoment has speedily followed the wedding. He finds the reason for this unhappy state of affairs to be that the American wives have in every instance been brutally treated, and in some cases absolute violence has been used. The brides were expected to perform the most menial offices. In one instance, the husband, who is an officer of rank in the German army, demanded that his wife perform POTATOES-Per bushel the service usually expected from a servant of the humblest sort, and one of the things she was ordered to do was to superintend the cleaning of his boots. This lady was the daughter of a leading railroad magnate in a Western State, and the story she tells is a most pitiable

Her hard-headed father took the precaution at her marriage to settle his daughter's fortune upon her, and tied it up in such a way that she could not relinquish its control even if she desired to do so. After many humiliating review of the case in point, and at 9 belled. She drew the line there, and p. m. had gone through the evidence. with her American blood at the boiling CORN-No. 2. point she flatly refused. Her warrior husband, who, besides his military rank. PORK—New Mess. remarked that he proposed to go has the title of Count, attempted to enthrough a brief review of the history of force discipline in his family by using divorce from the earliest times. They his riding whip upon his recalcitrant protested that this was unnecessary, but bride, and after a serious time of it she the court replied that in view of the importance of the trial, as shown by the length of the arguments, he did not the length of the length of the arguments, he did not the length of the length of the length of the length of the arguments, he did not the length of the l feel at liberty to omit any point in his not prevent her departure, but tried to charge. At ten p. m. he reached the compel the payment of a certain sum history of divorce under the Casars. of money by way of salve to the Counsel were yawning, the ladies asleep. wounds his sensibility received by her At eleven p. m. he had finished the his- abrupt departure. He did not succeed, tory of divorce in the reign of Queen for the lady had no property in the Victoria and was just commencing to province that could be held, so she got

- That match you are lighting your snored heavily when the Court was cigar with is a very small thing, isn't pointing out the beautiful points in the it?" said a passenger who had shared Sprague case. Dropping a book and my seat for a few miles. "A small -Jim Baker, one of the oldest Rocky upsetting the water-decanter to awake thing; but you wouldn't believe the them, the Court proceeded to tackle American people paid out \$27,000,000 slowly wading through the mass of de- looks big, but it is a fact. Now, take a ductions he had made from the history pencil and figure it out. Fifty millions cited. At one a. m. the court ceased of people in this country; they use on an and the two attorneys, with their ladies, average five matches each per day; that crawled down stairs to find that they is 250,000,000 matches daily, or 2,500,owed the hackmen \$7.50 each for wait- 300 boxes of 100 matches in a box, ing time, and besides the consciousness every day. Last year these boxes rethat the Court had fairly paid them out tailed at an average of three cents each, possible chance to complain, they had \$27,375,000 a year. And then, to think to endure the hard reflection of an that three-fourths of all these matches evening's pleasure sacrificed .- Alta were supplied by one company. If they didn't make \$8,000,000 clear profit out of it they didn't make a cent."-N.

> -Freekles, odd as it may seem, are are produced artificially.

> > E CHECKER

The Wide, Wide World. LIMA, REPUBLIC OF PERU.-Senor A. de La E. Delgado, L. L. D. and Counsellor, Tribunal of Justice, Lima, Republic of Peru, says: One single application of St. Francisco a few weeks ago. It was in studied their habits and ways nearly all Jacobs Oil cured me completely of rheumatic pains in my left arm. I recommended over by a judge who is as remarkable yesterday. He sat at his desk in a lit to two of my friends, the Mrs. Dona dry flannel will remove the dust .- Ez- course was toward the earth, and it was for the small shop in a busy street down town, Juana Garcia, widow, and Mr. D. Herman Decker, a German gentleman. Madam Garcia was relieved entirely by the pain-It was generally accepted as a new- a truth-seeker who thinks no time three feet deep. In it were twenty or cure from terrible neuralgic pains of ten months standing. Mr. Decker was cured of inexplicable pains by a single application of the cure. My brother used the great Instead, however, of being a new- time he abhors above all things the bright little eyes rising above the mass remedy for a species of paralysis of the arm. He was entirely relieved from his ailment by one or two applications, after having tried numberless other remedies without effect.

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